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## ANDREW CARPENTER WILL BE A MEMBER OF LOCAL BAR

The many friends of Andrew Carpenter have been congratulating him during the past week for having successfully passed the state board of law examiners. Mr. Carpenter, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Carpenter, is a graduate of the law department of Cumberland University at Lebanon, having graduated and received his certificate from that institution a few weeks ago. Immediately after leaving Cumberland University Mr. Carpenter went to Nashville where he took the state bar examination and made a splendid grade.

Mr. Carpenter is one of Smith county's most promising young men. He is a young man of lots of courage and intellectual ability, and his unusual amount of energy never allows him to fail take advantage of an opportunity, and he will prove himself to be a worthy member of the local bar. He has been licensed to practice in all the courts and will devote his entire time to his profession.

Mr. Carpenter is well and favorably known throughout the county, having taught school in various parts of the county prior to his entering the law school. He is a gentle young fellow and nothing but success can walk in his wake.

## Something of the Agricultural Work Being Done in the County

Farmers in this county should not fail to get in touch with Prof. G. B. Thackston, County Agricultural Agent for Smith county. While this is a new department in our schools, it is by no means an experiment and it is going to be of great benefit to our county. Its sole object is to disseminate among the farmers and get into common use the store of agricultural information already accumulated by the colleges and by the best farmers. It is impossible to enumerate all the activities of the county agent, yet the following partial list of his work may show how the farmers can utilize the facilities of this department:

Prof. Thackston has established several demonstration farms on which the farmer, with his own labor and expense, undertakes to grow some particular crop under the agent's careful supervision. Any crop may be grown, the selection depending on the needs of the community and the lesson to be taught. Careful account is kept of all operations and expenses and a full report made at the end of the season.

Each farm is an object lesson, intended to show some definite, concrete achievement; is calculated to arouse interest and friendly rivalry among farmers in that community, and to gain the confidence of indifferent farmers by proving that the agent knows what he is about, and it pays to follow his instruction. Such farms afford an especially effective way of teaching better cultural methods and the value of and how to grow hitherto untried crops, etc.

On such demonstration farms meetings are held at convenient times to which farmers in the community are invited. With the agent they go over the farm and informally discuss the operations in progress and the results expected or secured. At such meetings with the help of co-operating farmers various farm operations and processes are demonstrated.

## ESQ. HARVELL OF 11TH DISTRICT HAS UNUSUAL RECORD

Esq. B. D. Harvell of Maggart was in Carthage Monday transacting business.

Esq. Harvell has been a member of the county court from the eleventh district for the past ten years, and during his tenure of office he has made an unusual record. He has tried 63 lawsuits and only six appeals have been taken from his decisions and not one of these six decisions were reversed by the higher courts. Among other interesting suits, Esq. Harvell has had the distinction of trying a damage suit between two of his own sons, which occurred about two years ago.

Though 68 years of age, Esq. Harvell is enjoying the very best of health and he never makes a trip any other way except "footback," preferring to walk rather than travel by carriage or horseback. During his term of office he has missed but very few sessions of the county court, walking from his home to Carthage and return on each occasion, which is a distance of about 9 miles.

Among those from Wartrace here this week delivering tobacco were Messrs. S. L. Johnnie and Walter Carver and W. D. Hardesty. The Carver men sold their crops for 2 and 7, and Mr. Hardesty delivered a load for another party.

At field meetings, special meetings and on individual farms demonstrations showing how to do certain things about the farms are given. Among other methods and processes taught in this way are: The use of improved implements and farm devices; better methods of cultivation; orchard management, pruning, spraying, grafting, and budding; pulling, burning, or blasting stumps; how to use the Babcock tester and the cream separator; uses of the farm level; terracing to prevent erosion; laying drain-tile; testing soil for acidity; how to build soil and dipping vats, and various farm buildings; vaccination of hogs to prevent cholera and of cattle to prevent black leg; how to castrate, castrate, and any other farm operation or process which may be the subject of definite demonstration.

Such instruction may pertain to any activity on the farm or of rural life. How to grow, fertilize, or cultivate various crops; methods of combatting plant diseases and insect pests; the care, management, and feeding of live stock; the prevention or control of diseases of live stock, and rotation of crops and systems of farm managements are but a few of the subjects on which his advice and help is sought and given. Much of this help is given by putting the farmer in direct touch with the expert at the agricultural college or of the department, who is particularly qualified to help him, and by the distribution of bulletins and circulars of these institutions dealing with the particular subject on which advice is sought. The agent is the link connecting the farm with the experiment station, the agricultural college, and United States Department of Agriculture.

H. E. Pendleton, one of Nashville's young attorneys, was in Carthage the weekend with friends.

## Loose Leaf Warehouse Has Encouraging Sales

The Upper Cumberland Loose Leaf Tobacco Warehouse Co., has held two sales during the past week, the first of which was held last Thursday and the second on last Tuesday. The prices paid at these sales were much better than were paid at the opening sale, which took place a few weeks ago.

There were about 120,000 sold at the sale last Thursday and leaf brought from \$4.00 to \$8.75, and lugs sold from 75c to \$4.00. At the sale last Tuesday the prices were a shade better on all grades the prices on leaf ranging from \$3.50 to \$8.50 while lugs brought from 75c to \$5.50. About 100,000 pounds were sold at this sale.

The crop continues to show a

large amount of house-burned tobacco which is largely responsible for the low prices received. However, there was a large amount of very fine leaf in each of the sales and this type aroused strong competition among the buyers. It is expected that the market for manufacturing types will continue to be strong.

The next sale will be held next Tuesday at which time more than 100,000 pounds will be on the floor. The warehouse continues to receive tobacco from every section of the country. The weed is being brought here by rail, river and wagon.

All the above sales are being prized and shipped to the purchasers and the work presents a very busy and interesting scene.

## Social and Personal Notes

"Aunt Polly Ann" Williams of Gainesboro, the premier hotel proprietress of the Upper Cumberland country, is in Carthage this week visiting her daughter, Mrs. Floyd Robinson.

Miss Star Ligon has returned from a delightful visit of several days to friends at Dixon Springs and Hartsville.

Miss Callie Pearl Donoho of Willette entered school here last Monday. She is making her home with Mr. and Mrs. James Russell.

M. B. Uhles of Nashville was in Carthage Wednesday transacting legal business.

The many friends of Roy Ligon, assistant cashier of the First National Bank, will be glad to know that he is able to be out after being confined to his room several weeks on account of a severe attack of rheumatism.

Messrs. Carrington Clay and Willie Kemp, of Defeated were in Carthage Saturday. Mr. Clay is a member of the general merchandise firm of Clay & Robinson, while Mr. Kemp is a farmer of that vicinity.

Robert Hackett, who recently bought a farm in Trousdale county and moved to that place from near Monroville, was in Carthage Saturday.

M. Cooper of Chestnut Mound was here Saturday on business. Mr. Cooper has recently returned from Montana, where he owns real estate.

O. R. Alvis, of Brush Creek R. 1. was in Carthage last week.

W. H. Lankford of Defeated was in Carthage Monday looking after business matters. Mr. Lankford has a good crop of tobacco which he expects to bring to the market before long.

Fred Rittenbury, road overseer of 22nd district, was in Carthage transacting business last Monday.

H. F. Carpenter of New Middleton was in Carthage Wednesday. Mr. Carpenter has a good jersey cow for sale. Note his ad.

J. G. Hale, of Oliver was in Carthage last week qualifying as road commissioner for the 13th district, to succeed J. N. Gann. Mr. Hale says the roads in his district are above the average.

J. M. Stewart, merchant at Carthage Junction, was in Carthage last week renewing his license.

John Clark of Elmwood was here last week and disposed of his tobacco.

Walter James, one of Gordonville's hustling merchants, was in Carthage Saturday renewing his merchants license for another year. In addition to being one of the county's most up-to-date merchants, Mr. James is also postmaster for the little city of Gordonsville, and a postoffice inspector who happened to be in Carthage a few days ago paid Mr. James a compliment by saying he kept his office in better shape than any that had been visited in this section. Mr. James was one of the several who took the postmaster's examination here last March and made an average grade of about 92.

Messrs. C. F. Langford and J. F. Jenkins of Defeated [Creek] were in Carthage Wednesday.

J. S. Knight of Monroville was in Carthage Friday.

Jim Dickens of near Craig's Point in the 2nd district was in Carthage Monday transacting business.

Mrs. F. K. Hewlett, of Hartsville, Ala., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. L. A. Ligon.

"Uncle George" Warman, the veteran engineer of the Carthage Branch of the T. C. railroad returned last Friday from Louisville where he spent several days in the Norton Infirmary for the benefit of his health. The many friends of "Uncle George" will be pleased to know that he is feeling much better physically and all wish him a speedy recovery. Mr. Warman will resume his duties on the engine within a short time.

Judge Sam Young of Dixon Springs, who is a member of the state election board and who is also one of Smith county's most progressive and prosperous business men, was in Carthage looking after legal matters last Monday.

Tom Maddux of Granville was the guest of his daughters, Misses Medora and Frances, the week-end.

### Crenshaw Bros. & Chambers' Sale

In this issue of the Courier will be found an advertisement of Crenshaw Bros. & Chambers of Dixon Springs in which they offer some rare bargains in suits and overcoats. This store is under the efficient management of W. W. Chambers and is one of the most complete dry goods stores in the county. This firm is now conducting a large sale and if you want real bargains in up-to-date merchandise you will find them at the store of Crenshaw Bros. & Chambers.

## LAST WEDNESDAY WAS MULE DAY; 26 WERE PURCHASED

The second mule day for Carthage during the present year was held here last Wednesday. Grissim, Thompson & Taylor were here and purchased twenty eight mules, the prices ranging from \$50 to \$190. The sale was well advertised and there was a large number of farmers here offering mules for sale, but in most instances, the price offered was not considered sufficient and the farmers returned without making any sale. It is expected that a much better price will be paid for mules in the spring and a number of men stated that they were going to hold their stock for a higher price.

### Last Tuesday Was Groundhog Day.

Last Tuesday, Feb. 2, was groundhog day and it is a pleasure to note that the rascal failed to see his shadow at the noon hour. If there is anything in the old adage, and let us pray that there is, there will be no more rough wintry weather. Instead of being greeted with sunshine, the underground weather prophet was met with a flurry of snow, rain and sleet when he ventured out of his den last Tuesday.

Messrs. L. C. Farmer of Elmwood and Arch McKinney of Stonewall were among those attending the mule sale here Wednesday.

## Get Together Club at Chapman House This Evening, 6 O'clock

The Get-together Club has its fourth meeting at 6 o'clock this evening at the Chapman House, and all the members are urged to be present. To get together,

## SIX REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS RECORDED DURING PAST WEEK

There were a half dozen real estate transfers recorded on the books at the court house during the past week. All the exchanges were made in the 19th district. The following are the transfers made: A. F. Tuggle to R. E. Phillips, 31 acres, \$2,500; C. A. Bridges to Bessie Cantrell, one lot, \$1,700; J. R. Compton to John Winfree, interest in farm, \$120; Georgia Lawrence to John Winfree, interest in farm, \$55; Ella Floyd to John Winfree, \$75; Tilla Ramsey to John Winfree, interest in farm, \$50.

### Carthage School Holds Examinations

The mid-term examinations of the Carthage school were held last week. The highest average grade was made by Joe Smotherman, a son of Rev. and Mrs. J. L. Smotherman. The general average made by Joe was 98. He is a pupil of the fourth grade and is under the instruction of Miss Ethel Drane.

### Wanted.

A good lustling man, to sell Singer Sewing Machines in Smith County, location, either Carthage, or Gordonsville. Good commissions paid on sales and collections. Write J. C. Burris for further information.

J. C. BURRIS, Mgr.  
Box, 411. Lebanon, Tenn.  
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## WAR CAUSES DEPRESSION IN DAN CUPID'S BUSINESS

The great European war must be having its evil effects on Dan Cupid's business. The records at the court house show a decline in nuptial affairs, there being only one marriage license issued during the past week. The contracting parties were Letcher Armistead to Mamie Bellar.

### Guests of Miss Stalcup Entertained

Dixon Springs, Tenn., Feb. 1.—Miss Star Ligon of Carthage and Miss Gladys Wilson of Lebanon, who have been the guests of Miss Susan Stalcup at Dixon Springs for the past few days have returned to their homes. While here they were recipients of quite a number of charmingly planned social events, chief among which was the reception held at the home of their hostess, "Daredeale." The spacious reception hall was utilized for dancing. Those not engaged in the dance enjoyed rook, bridge and five hundred. Little Miss Louise Gray served a tempting ice course. Among the out of town guests were Misses Hall and Lowe of Hartsville, accompanied by Messrs. Wright and Langford. Miss Stalcup was attractively gowned in pink chiffon over crepe de chene. Miss Ligon wore a creation of blue crepe meteor, while Miss Wilson's costume was of pink crepe de chene. Miss Stalcup was assisted in receiving by her sister, Mrs. W. W. Gray.

On Friday evening Mrs. W. K. Chambers was the hostess of a delightfully planned dinner in honor of Miss Stalcup and her two guests, Misses Ligon and Wilson.

## NO BACKWARD STEPS IN EDUCATIONAL FIELDS

Elmwood, Tenn.  
Feb. 1st 1915.  
Carthage Courier;  
Gentlemen:  
Superintendent Huffines made our school a very pleasant visit today.

In his address to the students he emphasized the importance of education along rural lines for the boys and girls of Smith county and laid special stress on the possibilities the boys corn club offers toward better farming.

Most important of all, he left us with the impression that no backward steps will be taken in the educational fields during his term of office.

I am,  
Yours truly,  
Ovid Neal.

### Mrs. Cummings Entertains

Friday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Cummings "The Book Lovers' Club" was delightfully entertained. The affair was planned along elaborate lines. Miss Ethel Fischer gave a most enjoyable reading, "Mrs. Newlywed at the Market", which added greatly to the already splendid program. The prize awarded went to Mrs. Dixon Ward. The hostess was assisted in receiving by her mother, Mrs. Statts. At the close of the program a most palatable menu was served in a charming manner.

### "Rose Comb R. I. Reds."

Extra fine cockerels and pullets for sale at reasonable prices. Eggs for hatching in season. Phone or write Mrs. Rufus O. Beasley, Pleasant Shade, Tenn.